

UNIT 6: THE PROMISE OF HEAVEN

LESSON 28 ~ AT A GLANCE

AGES 8-11

LETTERS ABOUT WEAKNESS

LESSON AIM: TO KNOW GOD'S STRENGTH IS SHOWN IN OUR WEAKNESS
AS EXPLAINED IN THE LETTERS IN THE BIBLE.

PRESET

- Getting Started— Four pots, an equal amount of treasure in four different colors
- Scripture Reading—Romans 8:26
- *Bible Memory Verse Song—"New Testament Overture" and other related music
- *Worship Illustration or Storybook Lesson 28
- Golden Bowl—pencils & note cards
- Bibles, highlighters
- Mailbag—see Teacher's Guide for details
- *Daily Way Lesson 28
- Treasure Treat—*Today's New Testament Postcard with a stamp or sticker of a clay pot

*Available for download at www.childrensministrywarehouse.net.

NOTES

5. GOT TIME?

SNACK: POT FULL OF TREASURE

GAME: WHICH ONE IS STRONGER?

CRAFT: CARE PACKAGE—TREASURE POTS

DISCUSSION: GOT TIME? LETTER—JUDE 1:24-25

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: LIGHT MY PATH, NEXT BOOK,
THE BIBLE IS HOT! HOT! HOT!, ALL GOD'S WORD

1. THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: "Where do you keep your favorite treasure?"

GETTING STARTED: POTS OF TREASURE

2. THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO SHOWS US

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:26

Bless and collect the offering. Sing songs and worship God.

Perform Worship Illustration or read Storybook.

3. THE WORD PAUL WRITES ABOUT HIS WEAKNESS

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: To keep our eyes on Jesus means to focus on who He is and what He wants us to do. Mailbag: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 and 2 Corinthians 4:6-9, 16-18. Find It First! Highlight Key Verse: 2 Corinthians 4:7. Pray.

4. THE WAY PEN PAL LETTER: THROUGH OUR WEAKNESS, OTHERS SEE GOD'S STRENGTH

? Have you ever asked God to heal you or take away a problem you were having? Sometimes God answers that prayer right away, along the way, or someday in heaven. That is how it was with Paul.

> In his letter, Paul told the Corinthians that he prayed for God to take away his weakness, but nothing happened. What are some weaknesses we ask God to take away? (Respond.)

> When we are weak, it is easier for others to know God is the one with the power. Paul said God put His light into our hearts. (Remove clay pot containing cross from mailbag.) When an old clay pot holds a treasure like this cross, what do you notice most of all? (Respond.)

CHRIST CONNECTION> Isaiah 64:8. Find It First!

> 700 years before Paul compared each believer to a jar of clay with God's treasure inside; Isaiah explained who made us that way. (Read Isaiah 64:8.)

THE GOLDEN BOWL> Pray for individual names and the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES>

- TREASURE TREAT: New Testament Postcard about weakness with a stamp or sticker of a clay pot
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: God's light shining through an old clay pot.
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

